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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated February 9, 1998, the Applicant hereby traverses the requirement, and provisionally elects the group of claims directed toward the species of invention which reacts toward a ballistic projectile as the destructive object, that is, Claims 1-9 and 17-21. The election includes new Claims 25-29, as set out hereinbelow.

AMENDMENTS

Please add the following new claims:

25. (New) A reactive personnel protection system of a type in which at least one airbag is inflated responsive to detection of a destructive object prior to contact between said object and a person, said system comprising:

a destructive object detection system;

at least one rapidly deployable airbag; and

a gas-generating system for rapid deployment of said airbag in response to detection of the approach of said object in proximity to said person by said detection system.

26. (New) The system of Claim 25, wherein said detection system is a radar-based projectile detection system and wherein said object is a ballistic projectile.